

UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE FOREST SERVICE CIBOLA NATIONAL FOREST SANDIA RANGER DISTRICT

STAGE III FIRE RESTRICTIONS

PROHIBITIONS:

Pursuant to 16 U.S.C. § 551, 36 CFR § 261.50(a), and 36 CFR § 261.50(b), the following acts are **prohibited** within the Sandia Ranger District of the Cibola National Forest, in the following counties, Bernalillo and Sandoval Counties, New Mexico (the "restricted area"). The specific restricted area is depicted on the attached map, hereby incorporated into this order as Exhibit A.

1. Going into or being upon the restricted areas as depicted on the attached maps. 36 CFR § 261.52(e)

EXEMPTIONS

Pursuant to 36 CFR § 261.50(e), the following persons are exempt from this closure order:

- 1. Persons with a Forest Service permit specifically authorizing the prohibited act or omission.
- a. Any Federal, State or Local Officer or member of an organized firefighting force in the performance of an official duty.
- 2. Residents in the area accessing private property via a closed Forest Service road.
- 3. Persons occupied in a business, trade or occupation in the area as specifically authorized by the Forest Service.
- 4. Persons occupied in a business, trade or occupation in the area.
- 5. Persons visiting campgrounds, recreations sites, trails, roads, and areas described as open below.

RESTRICTED AREA

SANDIA RANGER DISTRICT:

The restricted area includes all National Forest System lands within the Sandia Ranger District of the Cibola National Forest (Bernalillo and Sandoval County) EXCEPT areas specifically listed below as "OPEN"

The entire district is closed, <u>EXCEPT</u> for the following areas, picnic grounds, trails, and roads:

- o *OPEN Areas*:
 - Sandia Ranger District Administrative Site and the Tijeras Pueblo Interpretive Trail.
- o **OPEN Recreation Sites**:
 - Tram, High Finance Restaurant, and Deck area associated with these facilities.

ALL AREAS REMAINING OPEN are STILL UNDER STAGE II FIRE RESTRICTIONS and no smoking, fireworks, fires, stoves, grills, or open flame are allowed anywhere on this district, <u>COLD PICNICKING ONLY</u>. No Dispersed Day Use and/or Camping is allowed along open Forest Service Roads or along State Highway 165 (See attached Exhibit A).

PURPOSE

This order is necessary to protect public health and safety due to the increased fire danger.

IMPLEMENTATION

- 1. This Order will be in effect at 8:00 a.m., June 30, 2011, and shall remain in effect until October 31, 2011 or until rescinded, whichever occurs first.
- 2. Any violation of this prohibition is punishable by a fine of not more than \$5,000 for individuals and \$10,000 for organizations, and/or imprisonment for not more than six months. Title 16 USC § 551, Title 18 USC Sections 3559, 3571.
- 3. This Order supersedes any previous orders prohibiting the same acts covered by this Order.

Done at Albuquerque, New Mexico this 29th day of June, 2011.

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